

Another Old-Timer Passes, M. O. Larson

Buried in Cemetery at Sharon
Lutheran Church

It is with sincere regret that we record the passing of one of our beloved old-timers, Mr. Mattias O. Larson, who departed this life on Friday, December 28th, in the Royal Alexandra hospital, Edmonton.

Mr. Larson, who had been in fairly good health, became ill on his way to Irma on December 19th. He was taken to the hospital the following day, and after two operations he passed away on the evening of December 28th.

Mr. Larson, or "Matt" as he was most familiarly known to all his friends and acquaintances in the district, was born in Myklebust, Flakstad, Norway, on February 27, 1874, and with the hardy pioneer spirit which he possessed left his native land when quite a young man to seek his fortune in a new land and migrated to the United States, where he resided for a considerable number of years.

The love of his friends and country no doubt called him, for he returned to Norway and there united in marriage with Anna Forlen. The spirit of adventure and new land appealed to them, for in the year 1910 they sailed for Canada and settled in the Irma district, where he has built up a home and resided since.

Besides his many friends and acquaintances he leaves to mourn his loss: his loving wife, four sons, Olaf, Thorleif, Bjorne and Arthur, and two brothers and a sister in Norway.

Rev. Mr. J. B. Stolee, minister of Sharon Lutheran church, assisted by Rev. Mr. Bras, former minister, conducted the funeral service. A striking difference was shown between the usual path of the Christian and non-Christian and the fact that we do not obtain our salvation by works but rely upon the atonement of Jesus Christ. Mr. Larson on his death bed gave a testimony as to his faith in Christ and sent a farewell message to his many friends in the district.

Names of those who gave floral tributes: Mr. and Mrs. Dan Larson; Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Jones and family; Mr. and Mrs. Pete Springs; Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Larson; Bob and Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Simmerman; John Peterson; Mr. Reeds and pupils; The Fudor families; Mr. and Mrs. R. Knudsen; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Knudsen; Mr. and Mrs. Halvor Vinjerud; Ole Vinjerud; Mr. and Mrs. A. Larson and family; Mr. and Mrs. McFarland; Mrs. Arnold and the girls; Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Frickelton; Mrs. M. O. Larson and family; Boyd McBride.

In addition to the floral tributes a memorial wreath was given, the principal amount of money being sent to the Canadian Lutheran Bible Institute, Camrose. Names of contributors: J. B. Gulbrae and family; Mr. and Mrs. Sivert Nilson and family; Sigurd Fluevog; Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Erickson and family; Mr. and Mrs. O. Steffensen and family; Mr. and Mrs. Peter Nilson; Mr. and Mrs. M. Reitan; Norman Fluevog; Mr. and Mrs. J. Halvorsen; Mr. and Mrs. H. Knudsen; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Likness; Danden and mother; Mr. and Mrs. G. Pedel; Harold Lissom; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Knudsen; Mr. and Mrs. Hollingen; Mrs. I. C. Knudsen, Altha and Arthur; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Knudsen and family; Mr. J. A. Hedley; Mr. and Mrs. J. Gulbrae.

STRAYED — To the farm of Thos. Sanders, Irma, one calf. Owner can have same by proving property and paying expenses.

LOST — On highway between Sunny Beach school and Irma, a logging chain and wagon bolt. Finder please leave at S. Hlynka's shop, Irma. 6

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Jarrow Jottings

The young boy of Mr. and Mrs. W. Russell has been seriously sick in the Wainwright hospital. At present he is out of danger.

On December 21st the Jarrow school presented its Christmas program in the Community hall before a large audience. Considering the number of young children taking part in the program we must congratulate our teacher, Mr. P. McNabb, for his efficient work in training the children. Every number on the program was well rendered.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Lissom with their son Charles spent the holidays in Edmonton.

Mrs. Lund spent the Christmas week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson. She, with her young daughter, Verla, left this week for her school.

The funeral service of the late Mr. M. O. Larson, of Coal Springs, was held in the Sharon Lutheran church on Wednesday, December 28th. The service was conducted by the Lutheran pastor, Rev. J. B. Stolee.

Mr. Larson, an old-timer in the community, was highly respected by all who knew him.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ward Matthews in the Viking hospital on Wednesday morning, December 28th.

Mrs. Geo. Matthews spent the Christmas and New Year holidays at the home of her son, Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. A. McMinn with their young daughter were with their people in Edmonton during the holidays. Mr. Arnold Christensen spent a few days with old friends in Jarrow.

WEDDING BELLS

HANGSTAD-BLADE

Wearing a simple gown of turquoise blue silk crepe, Miss Beulah Blade, daughter of Mrs. I. Hager of Irma, made a charming figure for her wedding on Friday evening, December 23rd, when in Irma United church she became the bride of Mr. Casper Hangstad, of Donaldia. Her only adornment was a veil of pearls and she carried a lovely bouquet of tallinn roses, lily of the valley and fern.

Mr. A. R. McRoberts officiated at the ceremony which took place beneath an arch of holiday colors and evergreen.

Attending the bride was Miss Evelyn Elford in a pretty gown of rust velvet trimmed in deep cream. Mr. William Blade, brother of the bride, attended the groom.

Miss Marion Longmire played the wedding march and during the signing of the register.

A reception to only immediate relatives and a few intimate friends was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Elford.

The bridegroom's gift to the bride was a lovely purse with cheque enclosed. To the bridesmaid and pianist gold bar pins set in pearls and rubies, and to the groomsmen gold cuff links.

Mr. and Mrs. Hangstad received the congratulations and good wishes of a host of friends of Irma, Turner Valley and Donaldia districts. They are making their home on the groom's farm near Donaldia.

BRIDE AND GROOM FETED

A delightful shower and social evening was held in the lodge hall last Wednesday in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Casper Hangstad.

Mrs. A. H. Locke was mistress of ceremonies and everyone enjoyed the sing-song, games and contests. During the evening Mrs. R. L. Simmerman sang two delightful solos, "My Wild Irish Rose" and another suitable number, accompanied by Miss Evelyn Elford, pianist, and Mr. W. Blade, violinist.

The bride and groom received a host of lovely and useful gifts, for which they very feelingly thanked the donors.

The evening closed with a beautiful lunch and the singing of "For They are Jolly Good Fellows."

PHILLIPS NEWS ITEMS

Cold weather has prevented the usual Christmas visiting.

Miss Helen Westbrook spent the holidays at her home.

Miss Pat Laughlin spent Christmas with her parents in Viking.

An enjoyable Christmas concert was put on by the pupils of the Phillips school. The teacher is to be congratulated on the success.

Minutes of Monthly Meeting M.D. of Buffalo Coulee

Dec. 10, 1938. — Council meeting was held in Saltaux school with Reeve Phessey presiding. The Returning Officer's report was read, showing Mr. Hardy Wear was elected by acclamation for Div. 1. Cr. Wear having signed the Oath of Office took his seat, making all members present. Minutes of Nov. 12 were adopted as read on motion of Cr. Ramsey. Monthly statement for November was read by secretary and signed by the Reeve.

Cr. Hills carried that Council agree to transference of C. E. Johnson's hospital rights on N. 4 10-49-4 to the Galusha family.

Hospital notices for the month were read. Jackson and Dinning not ratemakers.

Seizures and collections were dealt with.

Mr. McKenzie, collector for Wainwright hospital, was present to ask for payment of certain indigent accounts. Accounts were reviewed and discussed but finally left over to next meeting.

As it was near 8 o'clock and there were some hours' work before the meeting, Cr. Curvey moved that the meeting be adjourned to meet at the secretary's office at 1 o'clock Monday, Dec. 12.

Mon., Dec. 12. — Council meeting was reconvened at the secretary's office with all members present and Reeve Phessey presiding.

Seizures and collections were further considered.

Further discussion re relief.

Secretary to write Dept. re Tax Sale surplus.

An offer was submitted to purchase N.S. 30-48-9-4 by Joe Henkel. Secretary to advise J. W. Ambler and Henkel to submit offers to next meeting. Also a proposal to purchase the N.W. 20-48-8-4. Cr. Dew carried that secretary advise H. H. Burch and matter be dealt with at next meeting.

Secretary to reply to Supt. Child Welfare that Council do not recommend increase in Nicheporuk allowances.

Secretary to reply to Mike Hlchuk re a grave that was on his land when purchased.

Cr. Dew carried that Div. 4 be given an additional apportionment of \$400 to cover extra expenditures under the Tax Remission scheme, same to be deducted from 1939 apportionment.

Cr. Hills carried that next Council meeting be held on Jan. 7 at 10 a.m. and also that Court of Revision be held the same day.

Cr. Ramsey carried that Consolidation agreement be cancelled on the W. 4 10-47-4-4.

Cr. Ramsey and Phessey gave report as delegates to annual Man. convention in Calgary. Cr. Hills carried that same be accepted with thanks.

Cr. Dew carried that the following D.R.O.s and polling places for elections: Div. 1, Herman Eyben, S. E. 28-47-7-4; Div. 2, W. H. Prior, N. E. 28-47-8-4; Div. 3, D. H. Currie, S. W. 34-47-9-4; Div. 4, E. J. Legg, S. W. 28-49-4-4; Div. 5, Chris. Gadke, S. W. 10-49-4-4; Div. 6, N. McHardy, S. W. 4-49-7-4.

A number of accounts and time-sheets were passed for payment: Cr. Dew carried the adjournment. — Roy W. Hay, Sec'y-Treas.

ALBERT DISTRICT NEWS

At a meeting of ratemakers held in the school last Saturday, it was decided to ask permission from the Minister of Education to keep the old school for a community hall.

The new school is receiving finishing touches and teacher and pupils will move in after New Year's.

Mr. A. R. McRoberts returned from Edmonton after attending the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Collins.

Mr. Erling Larson will spend a holiday in Washington visiting his sister, Mrs. Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hardy and Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Currie attended a chari-vari held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Herrick last Saturday night.

A large crowd attended the Albert school concert on December 23rd. In spite of the fact that chickens had played havoc with the practices, the pupils gave a very good performance, after which Santa Claus appeared to distribute the presents.

A number of Albert residents attended the Christmas concert at Lynx presented by Miss Edith McRoberts and her pupils. All reported a fine program.

The Dramatic Society held a meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths on December 28th. Miss Wilma Currie was re-elected president, and Mr. Cyril Jones was voted in to fill the place of the retiring secretary-treasurer, Miss Edith Jones. Plans were made for presenting the play, "That Watkins' Girl," and the date set for January 20. After the business session all enjoyed contests and games. Mr. Jim Hastings provided the music for a sing-song followed by lunch and tea-cup reading.

The Albert school pupils moved into the new building on Tuesday. They now have a fine light room for study, heated by an up-to-date furnace, as modern as any city school room.

Mr. T. Ellwood was taken to the hospital on Monday night, where it was found that he had several broken ribs. The accident happened while he was tending some cattle.

Miss Winnie Reeves spent the holidays with her sister, Mrs. G. L. Currie.

Meets: John Bars and Claude Ramsey left for Edmonton on Tuesday, where they will take a course on Diesel engineering.

Word has been received that Mr. Erling Larson is enjoying a fine holiday in Washington, where he is visiting relatives.

Kinsella Kernels

Miss E. Corbett, of Wataskiwin, spent the Christmas holidays with her father, Mr. D. Corbett.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Huse and Peter spent Christmas with relatives in town.

Miss Isobel Stronach, of Heath, spent last week at her home in Kinsella.

The Misses Isobel McKie, Dorothy Williams and Violet Williams spent Christmas day with their parents in town.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Nease, Ronald and Michael motored to Edmonton for the holidays.

Mr. Lloyd Cameron, of Merna, is visiting friends in the district.

Miss Georgina Lee left January 1st for Rochester, Alberta, where she will teach, having resigned from her school at Carleton.

Mr. B. Wachter, B. B. foreman, is holidaying with his family in town.

Mrs. D. Corbett is visiting her son and daughter and friends in Detroit.

The World of Wheat

By H. G. L. STRANGE
Director, Research Dept., Searle Grain

Countless hampers of food and good cheer have been distributed on this continent during this festive season to the poor, to the needy and to the unfortunate.

For untold ages mankind has rejoiced in experiencing the happiness, and the deep satisfaction that springs from a good deed, which was prompted by a warm and generous impulse.

Yet just out sight of our vision, across the seas in Europe, and on other continents, there are, we are told, millions of families who are suffering, not only during this same festive season but indeed every day of each year, from a lack of food.

Would it not be a wonderful thing, if one could help but think, if prosperous nations could only send great hampers of foodstuffs and of good cheer to those human beings who are sadly in need, and who live in less fortunate countries.

A few shiploads of surplus wheat, eggs, butter, cheese and meat, from Canada and the United States, where supplies are abundant and unwanted, would bring happiness, gladness and joy to millions of human hearts; and too would help to achieve that for which we are all so ardently hoping — Peace on earth, good will toward men.

Following factors have tended to raise price: Severe temperatures in Europe may damage crops; Navigation stops on European rivers, including the Danube; Australian wheat crop thought to be between 136 and 145 million only; Italy has favorable Argentine trade balance, while Germany has "clearing" arrangements; Continuation of unfavorable U.S.A. crop reports.

Following factors have tended to lower price: India offering Australian wheat cargoes for resale; Official Argentine estimate of wheat 316 million; U. S. government 1938 wheat, corn, oats and rye estimates revised upward slightly; Uruguay sells new wheat to Liverpool; Seedings in Danubian countries apparently close to last year's record.

"Ideals of decency and honesty, which make the work of the police of Canada easy in a narrower sense, could well be employed by statesmen and governments under present conditions." — W. B. Bullock, M.L.A.

The Alma Mater hockey team trimmed the Irma juniors on Irma ice to the tune of 3-2 on New Year's eve in an interesting game. This sounds like N.H.L. scoring. Better come out and see the next junior game for all its costs.

The Irma senior hockey team motored across to Killam last Monday and joined in the hockey tournament. Irma won from Sedgewick in their first game 8-2 but lost to Killam 2-0 in their second game played half an hour later. A number of rooters accompanied the hockey team on their trip and all had an enjoyable time.

The Holden hockey team visited Irma last Tuesday evening as per schedule and suffered a defeat to the tune of 8 to 1. The Holden boys worked hard but just could not register. The crowd of fans, however, got their money's worth watching the struggle.

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ORGANIZATION MEETING OF WAINWRIGHT SCHOOL DIV.

The organization meeting of the Wainwright school division was held December 26th, at the divisional office, Wainwright.

Trustee Mr. H. E. Spencer was elected chairman for the ensuing year. Trustee Mr. Wm. Revill was elected vice-chairman. Trustees Wm. Revill, T. C. Sanders and G. S. Baker were elected for two-year terms, and Trustees Mr. H. E. Spencer and M. J. Nicholson were elected for one year.

"The work that the Trans-Canada Airline has done across the Dominion is of major military importance in the defence of Canada." — Hon. C. D. Howe.

SPORTS

The editor of "The Ring" magazine placed Eddie Wenstob 11th in his rating of "light-heavyweights" boxers. Even that sounds pretty good, taking in world contenders. However Eddie received "Champion" rating for Western Canada by the Boxing Federation of Western Canada. He was given top honors in both the heavy and light-heavyweight divisions. The announcement was made as a sort of New Year's honors list. Congratulations Eddie.

The poll of the Sport Writers of Canada placed Noel McDonald of Edmonton as the outstanding woman athlete for 1938. This is a signal honor for the young woman, and reflects credit upon her coach, Percy Page, and the team of basketballers of which she is the Captain. Those who have seen this girl in play agree with the writers in their choice. She plays to win, yet maintains throughout a gracefulness that is pleasing to the eye of the spectator. Her attitude toward opponents stamps her as a true sport.

Rugby football continued to take a heavy toll of players. This last year 17 deaths are recorded. While this is a reduction of 48% from the peak of 33 deaths in 1931, it is still unduly high. In hockey, the player travels at high speed and receives in consequence many cuts and bruises, but seldom is killed. Surely football could be made safer for the contestant.

In Italy the government is fostering sport in a big way. At the Olympic contests that country has always made such a poor showing, Mussolini is determined to alter the picture. He has hired an American coach with intent to systematic the Italian hundreds of athletes, in the hope that among these some real winners may be found. It's a great idea anyway.

With the great Don Budge now in the ranks of the professional tennis players, the dopsters are trying to say who will show up as the king of racket-wielders in the forthcoming contests. Some claim Vince will prove better on account of his dynamite serve. Other experts point to the power of Budge on his backhand. And a third chap comes along with the dictum that Fred Perry, the Englishman, looks best to him. So we had better wait and get the results of actual play. Even then we cannot be sure. It's professional.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS

In the Estate of the Late Isaac John Samuel Sawdon, Farmer, Late of the District of Irma, Alberta, in the Province of Alberta, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims upon the Estate of the above named Isaac John Samuel Sawdon, who died on the 3rd day of December, A.D. 1938, are required to file with the undersigned, the Executor of the Estate, by the 18th day of February, A.D. 1939, a full statement duly verified of their claims and of any securities held by them, and that after that date the Executor will distribute the assets of the Deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been so filed, or which have been brought to its knowledge.

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Solicitor for Executor,
Viking, Alberta. 6-13-39c

NOTICE

Wainwright School Division No. 32

The Divisional Board will receive names of qualified persons willing to act as Substitute Teachers on the staff of the Wainwright School Division No. 32.

G. T. STEEL, Secretary,
6-13-39c Wainwright.

"Trained men are needed in Canada to see that all scientific knowledge is applied to farming." — Dr. R. K. Stratford.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for their kindness and assistance in decorating the church and helping in many other ways at the time of our daughter's wedding, and also for the many beautiful gifts at the shower.

We also wish to thank the L.O.R.A. for donating the use of the lodge room for the shower.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hager.

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Projects With Possibilities

If Western Canada is to derive the maximum of benefits from the plans and operations of Ducks Unlimited, whose projects reached the stage of initial field work during the summer just past, close co-operation between and co-ordination with the activities of all departments of the federal and western provincial governments is highly essential.

At the outset of its active career in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, Ducks Unlimited established a close contact with the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration and the two organizations, with a joint objective of conservation of water, but for different reasons, have maintained not only friendly relations but have exchanged information and have collaborated closely in carrying out their respective projects.

This is as it should be, but this co-operation and co-ordination can, and doubtless will in the future, be extended to harmonize with and further promote the activities of the provincial governmental departments, including those devoted to construction and maintenance of highways and those devoted to the administration of game laws and conservation of wild life, as well as those concerned with agriculture, the development of the natural resources and publicity, to name some provincial government activities which could very well be tied in with water conservation to the ultimate advantage of all concerned.

A Lovable Ambition

For the benefit of those who may not be very familiar with the scope of operations and ambitions of Ducks Unlimited, it might be appropriate at this stage to say that the primary objective of this organization is to conserve existing breeding and resting grounds for ducks in the northern reaches of the three prairie provinces, to extend them and to develop new ones wherever conservation of water and topographical features lend themselves to such an undertaking.

Where such areas are not already game preserves and bird sanctuaries it is proposed, of course, to convert them into safe harbours for game birds and other wild life and the program includes provisions for public hunting grounds, where sportsmen who are willing to conform to the tenets of wild life conservation within the boundaries of proper control measures may take their pleasure in season.

A report on the first season's work carried out in the field by Ducks Unlimited reveals that three major projects, one in each of the three prairie provinces, involving the construction of dams and other appropriate work have already been completed and that, together with two additional contemplated projects will impound runoff water next spring and, to quote the organization's report, "restore to natural, profitable use, 100,000 acres of water, marsh and upland each acre capable of producing 100 ducks" or a total of ten million ducks.

Other Aids Necessary

It requires little imagination to sense what such an undertaking may well mean to the people of the provinces which are co-operating with Ducks Unlimited. It will open up substantial areas which should prove veritable paradises for visiting hunters sportsmen and nature lovers from all parts of the continent, provided the necessary steps are taken to let them know that such places of recreation and rest exist and means to make them accessible are furnished.

Such an objective necessarily entails the construction and maintenance of adequate highways coupled with an effective program of publicity in those areas from which tourists with leisure and means can be drawn to enjoy the available attractions and, incidentally, leave some of their good money in these provinces. The latter is a natural and inevitable corollary of the former.

With all governmental departments combining to provide all the necessary facilities to make the most of the site of these projects and of others which undoubtedly will follow in the future, it is not difficult to foresee that the results may well have a profound and beneficial effect on the economic life of the country.

International Goodwill

The possibilities for the future are well summed up in the closing paragraph of a report on the activities of the organization in the following words:

"Ducks Unlimited is a co-operative enterprise in sport and conservation of international scope. Its immediate purpose is to restore and increase ducks—as an integral part of a sound development of all resources. Its ultimate results will include the generation of understanding and goodwill throughout the whole continent."

Commemorative Coinage

New Silver Dollar Will Be Struck By Royal Canadian Mint

A new silver dollar, commemorative of the visit to Canada next summer of King George and Queen Elizabeth, will be struck shortly by the royal Canadian mint, Prime Minister Mackenzie King announced.

The coin will bear the likeness of King George on one side and a design symbolizing the royal visit on the opposite side.

There will also be an issue of stamps in three series to commemorate the event. The one-cent stamp will be green with the features of the royal princesses. A brown two-cent stamp will show the national war memorial which His Majesty will unveil next May, while the likeness of the king and queen will appear on the three-cent stamp which will be large in size and red as at present.

The tassel-eared squirrel grows cartwheels each fall. These grow to a length of 1½ inches by midwinter and fall off in the spring.

In England, a Sunday blue law states that "cut flowers can be bought on the Sabbath, but no potted plants."

Science says four out of five people are untroubled by nerves. They are the ones you hear honking.

Germany has prohibited the use of wheat and rye as fodder.

More Abundant Rainfall

Scientists Say Next Few Years Will Be Relatively Wet

The United States weather bureau forecast the next few years would be relatively wet if the climate pattern of the last century continues.

Explaining weather history is a succession of dry and wet cycles interspersed with periods of average rainfall, the bureau said records "suggest very strongly that the recent long drought period has about spent itself and that immediate future years will have more abundant rainfall."

In its annual report the bureau declared any long-time agricultural program which does not take into account wet and dry cycles is "inherently weak."

Chipmunks are known under the generic name, "Tamias," meaning steward, because of their habit of storing away provisions.

It is estimated that rodents, insects and other wild life leave only 25 per cent. of the range grass for livestock.

Agas of stars can be told by their color, which changes as they grow older.

An adult needs about 900 pounds of fresh vegetables a year.

Small fish are burned as candles by Alaskan miners.

Farther North

Highway Opening Up Vast Mineral Areas In Manitoba

One hundred miles of highway now connect The Pas with Melfort, and points south, to provide a link between the "inside" and the "outside" of Manitoba. There remains only the official opening of No. 10 highway to introduce this fact to the general public of Canada.

Some day, perhaps, the road will be carried to the shores of Hudson Bay—connect by highway the most northerly port in America, Churchill, with Cape Horn, to the South.

To serve the mining communities of Flin Flon, Herb Lake and Cranberry Portage, the anticipated site of immediate future development, the road must be carried to the Portage. From there its future traffic can be carried economically by barge to and from surrounding communities.

Only 40 miles of new road, at the most, are necessary to offer a fair guarantee that the trade and benefits from these mineral areas of the future will accrue to Manitobans, the builders of the new road—Northern Mail, The Pas.

Wild Fowl Photographed

Miss Squire, Of Kansas, Spends Summer In The Far North

Miss Lorene Squire, one of the foremost wild-fowl and game photographers in Canada and the United States, is back in Harper, Kan., after another summer of camera shooting in Canada's northern regions.

A color reel of the Canadian reindeer herd on Richards Island, Mackenzie Inlet, shots of rare black and white snow geese and a close-up of a flock of wild swans are a few of the pictures taken on her latest expedition.

Miss Squire studied in University of Kansas, majoring in dramatics, but turned to photographing after graduation in 1932. She says she does not make sufficient money at her photographing to call it a profession but spends far too much time at it to call it a hobby.

Miss Squire went into the north-land in June. She travelled by plane and whaleboat and a trip from Churchill, Man., to Baffin Land via the S.S. Naoscope was included. She said she loved life in the north and planned to return next summer.

A Hungarian shepherd, 81 years of age, is reputed to have the world's record mustache. It measures 20 inches from tip to tip.

Sir Walter Raleigh never was in America. He only reached Newfoundland on his voyage to the New World.

The Christian world never has adopted one uniform Bible. There are ten different versions in use today.

The Cassiquiare river, in Venezuela, flows in opposite directions in different seasons.

Register For Service

Technical Men Volunteer Services In Event Of War

Voluntary effort on the part of Canadian organizations is resulting in a national registration of professional and technical men whose services might be placed at the country's disposal in the emergency of war.

With the concurrence of the national defence department this "census" is at present being undertaken by the Engineering Institute of Canada, the Canadian Institute of Chemistry, the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and others.

The policy is in line with that being carried out in the United Kingdom where national registration of men and women offering themselves for voluntary service is in progress. Some time ago the Canadian Medical Association began to list among its members those who would make their services available.

Already the defence department possesses information relating to the character and capacity of various Canadian industries. More than 800 plants have been surveyed and all facts bearing on their production and processes have been filed. Departmental experts are studying how best those plants may be converted from peacetime to wartime work in case of necessity.

New Patent Syrup Jug

Long realizing the need for a syrup jug that would make pouring syrup easier, the makers of Bee Hive Syrup now have one. This jug is retelling in Toronto stores at \$1.30 for a 12-ounce size and \$3.00 for a 40-ounce size. The price is the best indication that something remarkably new has been developed. For Bee Hive Syrup users the Jug can be secured at big savings. The 12-ounce size can be had for four five-pound Bee Hive Syrup labels, or the equivalent in pounds and 50c, and the large size for 10 five-pound labels or the equivalent in pounds and \$1.00. The Jug is absolutely unique in that it has a patent drip cut action that severs the syrup off without dripping or sticking. It is easily filled. People seeing them in action instantly say—"That's what I want."

Readers should address their requests to the St. Lawrence Starch Co., Port Credit, Ont.

No Trouble Over Return

Map Makers Put Island Back Into United States

Barnhart Island is back in the United States. A daub of yellow dropped in the middle of the St. Lawrence River as shown on the map in New York's Legislative Manual marks the return of the wanderer, unwittingly "cooled" to Canada several years ago by an erring map-maker. Previous copies have shown the 400-acre spot, off Massena, in white to conform with the province of Ontario. No international incident has arisen over the error. In fact no one noticed it until A. J. Bellus of Chicago trained his eyes on a map sent him by the Secretary of State's office last July.

The guy who used to blow his horn is now blowing his automobile's.

DEATH FROM THE SKY IN SPAIN!

Look out below! Death's coming and it's coming fast! A remarkable picture over Valencia, Spain, showing Spanish insurgent bombing planes dropping their missiles of death on the city of Valencia, miles below. Note the smoke of fires caused by other bombs.

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Anthony Eden Thorough In Anything He May Undertake

About a decade ago Anthony Eden was referred to as "that terrible young man who wants peace so much."—He had earned a Military Cross in finding out what war was like. As a rising diplomat he strove, against obstacles now fully realized, to perpetuate the spirit of Locarno and to extend the pacifying influence of the League of Nations. He showed a natural devotion to the strength and dignity of his own country, but it was joined with a larger loyalty to European civilization. Refreshing one's memory of his training and record one recalls that he once wrote art criticisms for a Yorkshire paper, that his collection of French classics of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries is not to be despised, and that he made a special study of Oriental languages. But his adventures in art and erudition did not blunt the edge of his courage, as he showed conclusively in the crucial test he had to meet last February—New York Times.

Religion Of A Scientist

Few Will Defend An Atheistic Attitude On The Evolution Of Mankind

Few scientists of to-day will defend an atheistic attitude on the evolution of mankind, according to Dr. Arthur Compton, University of Chicago physics professor and Nobel prize winner.

In an address in New York on the "Religion of a Scientist," Dr. Compton said that "as we learn more about the world, the probability of its having resulted by chance processes becomes more and more remote."

The world is still in the early stages of evolution and as man develops he probably will take over from God responsibility for the evolution of life on earth, the Chicago scientist said.

Faith in God may be a thoroughly scientific attitude, Dr. Compton declared, even though it is not possible to establish the correctness of the belief.

"Such a faith is presumably based on the experience that the hypothesis of God gives a more reasonable interpretation of the world than any other," he said.

Analyzing the present stage of evolution, Dr. Compton said man is now master of plant and animal life on earth and to a large extent even the means of controlling his own evolution.

"Gradually the responsibility is being shifted by God to our shoulders. As science advances it seems inevitable that this transfer of authority will approach completeness," he said.

One Of Deadliest Weapons

Motor Car Improperly Handled Can Do Unfold Damage

Many motorists do not know the deadly nature of the weapon in their charge when carelessly handled. The motor car in itself is foolproof, properly cared for. The trouble, when there is trouble, usually is due to the head back of the wheel.

"Canadian Underwriter," which devotes much of a recent issue to highway accidents, prints this: "Engineers say that a motorist who crashes into a solid object at 60 miles per hour suffers the same force of impact that he would if he drove off the roof of a 12-story building."

No sane motorist would drive off a 12-story building. How many "going 60" realize the danger?

A car going 60 represents nine times the energy of one going 20 miles per hour. It is nine times as hard to stop, travels nine times as far before stopping, hits any object nine times as hard, and brings death six times as often.

The insurance journal also offers this for thought: At 20 miles per hour, according to the law of averages, there is one death in 61 accidents; at 30 to 20 miles, one death in 42; at 30 to 40 miles, one in 35; at 40 to 50 miles, one in 25 accidents; over 50, one in 11.

Orient Follows Old Custom

One of the oldest and most widespread usages of colour connects a specific one with each of the four cardinal points of the compass. North is white, east is yellow, south red and west black. In many parts of the Orient this colour custom still is followed in the painting of city gates that face squarely in these directions.

Tree stumps, 400,000 years old, were taken from the water off the coast of New Jersey almost perfectly preserved.

In Ancient China the highest praise that could be bestowed upon an Emperor was to say that his goodness extended to animals.

In Europe it's a wise child that knows his own fatherland.

Indians Going Modern

B.C. Braves Using Sawdust To Insulate Shacks Against Cold

The Indian of the Cariboo is going modern.

Out at Canim Lake, an Indian village 70 miles east of Williams Lake, B.C., the Braves are hauling sawdust to insulate their pine-log shacks against the rigors of the northern winter.

The cabins are fitted inside with a flimsy partition which fits close to the log wall leaving just enough space into which they pack the sawdust.

This idea developed when the Indians heard of the white man utilizing sawdust as fuel. The Braves couldn't imagine burning it so the novel insulation plan was born—Canadian Press.

The young mother of to-day who thinks football is too rough for her son should have had a boy to raise when skinny and still-walking were popular.

In ancient tournaments, silver bells were given as prizes. The modern "loving cup" is an inverted descendant of those silver bells.

The mackerel migrates upward and downward. When winter cools the surface waters, the fish drops downward to warmer levels.

LOCALS

Mr. Jas. McDonald spent Christmas in Calgary.

Mr. Robert Smith spent Christmas at his home in Killam.

Mr. Lester Kneily left by bus Friday morning to spend the winter at Tofteld.

Mr. R. H. Stone spent Christmas and New Year's with friends in Lamont, Alberta.

Mrs. H. McKay and family have again moved into town for the remainder of the winter.

Miss Cecille Shaw visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. Greenberg, during the holidays.

Miss Jennie Kneily of Irma spent a few days at the home of Mrs. Matt McNall of Kinsella.

Mr. W. Crowe of Vancouver visited his aunt, Mrs. M. A. Flewelling, during the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. A. Miles and three sons of Irma spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Millar of Kinsella.

All the Sharkey family except one came home and spent Christmas with their father, Mr. E. E. Sharkey.

Mr. Tom McNall of Kinsella spent his Christmas holidays at the Kneily home.

The Irma school board have set Friday, Jan. 20th at 7:30 p.m. as the date for the annual ratepayers' meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Penfold and son Bobbie, of Edmonton, spent Christmas with Dr. and Mrs. Greenberg.

The annual meeting for the Irma high school district will be held in the school on Saturday afternoon, January 28th.

Mr. Thos. Wood of Kinsella left for an Edmonton hospital with Dr. Greenberg last Wednesday where he will undergo an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Barber and baby daughter of Linaria, Alberta, spent the Christmas holidays with their parents at Irma and Anburdale.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Fletcher and Jackie enjoyed a visit from Mrs. Fletcher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Berg, of Hondo, Alberta, during the holiday season.

Mr. R. W. Maguire and son Frank, accompanied by Mr. Watkinson, motored to Holden Christmas day to visit Mr. Maguire's daughter, Mrs. H. Sorgen and husband.

Mr. Ben Maguire, who is playing hockey at Camrose, spent Christmas at home, returning to Camrose on December 26th. Ben expects to leave for Goldfields, Sask., later on.

Miss Mildred Hill and Miss Ethel Tate spent the Christmas holidays at their homes in the Irma district.

Miss Irma Tweedie, of Sedgewick, spent a part of her Christmas holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Fletcher.

Mr. Arthur Miles of Hardisty spent New Year's at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Miles of Irma.

Miss Ruby Miles and her brother, Bill, returned home on Saturday evening, after spending the past ten days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Millar of Kinsella. They were accompanied home by Miss Ella Millar.

Owing to the efforts of the Irma rural telephone subscribers and the Irma Board of Trade, continuous telephone service has been established at Irma at a small extra charge per month. Without a doubt this will be a very great benefit to everyone in the district.

Mrs. H. Barker, of Camas, Wash., paid a surprise visit to her brother, Charles Wilbraham, December 27th, and left New Year's day by way of Edmonton, Calgary and the Crow's Nest Pass route, to her home.

Mrs. Barker remarked on the growth of the village of Irma in the last 20 years.

The Irma Local Social Credit group No. 1363 will hold their regular meeting and a social evening with musical program and entertainment, in Kiefer's hall on the 10th inst., at 7:30 p.m. Come and bring your friend.

A silver collection will be taken and lunch will be served. Everybody welcome. — M. Knudson, sec'y.

The annual meeting of the Alma Mater and Roseberry Ladies' Aid will be held at the home of Mrs. B. Oldham on January 10th at 2:30 p.m. Will all members please attend as the election of officers for the coming year will take place. Hostesses, Mrs. Burton and Mrs. Anderson. Devotionals, Mrs. A. A. Fischer. Visitors always welcome.

A very enjoyable Christmas concert was put on by the Irma public school teachers and pupils in the Irma United church on Friday evening, December 29th. Owing to the fact that a large number of the children were out of school with chicken pox during November and December, it was not possible to prepare as large a concert as usual. At the close of the program Santa appeared on the scene and distributed treats to all the children in the district. The church was tastefully decorated for the occasion.

I WANT MY SON TO BE A FARMER

(From O. E. Baker of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture)

I have a son now six years old, and I hope when he grows up that he will decide to be a farmer. We also have three daughters and we hope that when they grow up they will marry farmers. It is not because I think farmers and farm women in the future are going to become rich and have an easy life, although I do look for some improvement in the next 10 or 20 years.

I want our boy to be a farmer and live in what is called an hereditary home, to which his sisters can return in times of depression, should they marry city men, because:

1. The farmer has more and better food to eat than most city people, and in times of depression he is more certain of a livelihood—if he has not mortgaged the farm.

2. The farmer has better health than city men and lives longer—about five years longer, according to a recent study of a life insurance company.

3. The farmer accumulates more property—becomes a wealthier man than the average city person. This may not be true in the South. It is true in the North because of the millions of city people have almost no property at all—except an automobile. Wealth in the city is probably four or five times more concentrated than in the rural territory.

4. The farmer is more likely to enjoy his work than most city people. Most city work is monotonous—tending a machine in a factory, operating a typewriter, standing behind a counter in a retail store hour after hour.

The farmer is more likely to rear a family and do his part to promote the welfare of the nation and the race. The family is becoming smaller and weaker in the cities. Only two-thirds enough children are now being born in our cities to maintain their population permanently.

The conditions of living and the philosophy of life in the cities tend towards extinction. The rural philosophy of life with its recognition of the family as the fundamental economic as well as social institution, tends towards survival. The urban philosophy is ephemeral; the rural philosophy of life is eternal—derived from experience of the race down through the ages. A civilization to be permanent must be based primarily on agriculture, or on some other culture in which the family is the economic unit.

Time To Wax Floors.—Wax finishes on floors should be renewed every four to six months, depending on the amount of wear on the floor.

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Wanted—Original Thinking

That was a most thought-provoking plea for original thinking which Sir Frederick Banting made to the students at the University of Saskatchewan the other day. Counselling them to take a serious view of their training, he said, "you will be masters of the country tomorrow and in the face of all the 'isms' challenging the world, you must keep your feet on the ground."

Sir Frederick Banting's remarks at Saskatoon were made when on a nation-wide tour of inspection of facilities for medical research in colleges and hospitals. With Sir Frederick as chairman, an associate committee on medical research was recently established by the national research council and it is confidently expected that this forward move will stimulate original research in Canada. This country has already given the world some of the great blessings of scientific study—including Sir Frederick Banting's insulin—and it will be a matter of further pride if in the future, Canada should lead the world in medical discoveries. Cancer, for example, was mentioned by Sir Frederick as presenting a tremendous challenge to science. Experimentation in the pure science of physics had been the beginning of radium treatment of this disease.

In industry too, the University students could render national service as they did in Germany before the war, when they were called upon to solve many industrial problems.

As this eminent authority so well expressed it, Science of today was the research of yesterday—there was no better barometer of the standing of a University or country than its contributions to science. Outlining some of the characteristics which he held to be essential in every research worker, he listed: "transparencency," so that the scientist could not deceive even himself; an unselfishness leaving room for team-work and co-operation; an observant mind; tenacity; imagination; a sacrificial nature, and, above all else, common sense. "Any one of us," he declared, will accomplish, within reason, all we set out to do, if we work hard enough and long enough."

There will be increased interest in medical research in Canada as a result of the new Ottawa project, and Canadians generally will no doubt agree with Sir Frederick Banting, when he suggests that the drafters of University curricula provide for opportunities for students to do some original thinking.—Health League of Canada.

A GOOD SUGGESTION

(Editorial from Calgary Herald of December 20, 1938)

Among the promising proposals discussed at Winnipeg last week was one that a Western Canada division of the National Research Council should be established at once to conduct research into new uses for wheat and other farm products. The provision of up-to-date laboratories at some point in the prairie provinces was urged.

This has been followed by the suggestion of the North-West Grain Dealers' Association that an international research laboratory should be set up in London, staffed by internationally famous cereal chemists, to seek a solution of the recurring wheat surplus problem. The International Wheat Advisory Committee meets in London on January 10th and includes representatives of all the wheat exporting countries.

This latest plan to find new industrial uses for wheat and other grains includes, as well as a central laboratory in London, the establishment of similar research facilities in all countries where the disposal of wheat has become a national problem. Canada is thus giving the lead in a movement that promises rich results, for it is recognized that unwieldy world wheat surpluses may be here to stay for a long time unless radical measures are adopted to discover other uses for wheat.

British Imperial Comrades Association

Imperial Veterans are invited to communicate with Mr. J. A. Knott, at Phillips P. O., with a view to forming a local branch of the above association.

LETTER BOX

Hanna, Alta.,
Dec. 30, 1938.

Gentlemen:

Re Farmers' International Broadcast
We, the Executive of the United Farmers of Alberta, would appreciate it very much if you would give the assistance of your valuable publication in the territory served by you by giving some publicity to a special farmers' broadcast which will be put on by our organization at the time of our annual convention to be held Jan. 17 to 20 at the Palliser hotel, Calgary. This special broadcast will take place on Thursday evening at the time of our annual get-together dance which will start at 9 p.m. M.S.T. and last until 1 a.m. over radio station CFCH (1030 k.c.). During this period we will have the OFCH old time orchestra, and we will have full charge of the broadcast for the rest of the evening. Fraternal greetings will be exchanged with farmers' organizations in British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and all of the farmers' organizations within reach of the station across the line in U.S.A.

This is a new venture which has not been tried before by any other farmer organization in Canada, so far as we are aware, which we think would be of news value to you. We would appreciate it very much if you would give us what assistance you can in getting publicity for this event through the medium of your publication.

Thanking you in anticipation,
Yours sincerely,
Jack Sutherland.

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Under the Domestic Animals Act (Municipalities)

To Whom It May Concern:

NOTICE is hereby given that by virtue of power granted under Section 44 of the Domestic Animals Act (Municipalities) and of bylaw of the Municipality of Battle River, One Bay Mare, with bald face, 4 feet white, branded lazy F N with lower half diamond below, on left thigh, will be sold at the Pound kept by the undersigned, on the S. E. 1/4 Sec. 28, in Twp. 44, Rge. 9, West of the 4th M., at 2 o'clock on Saturday, the 14th day of January, 1939.

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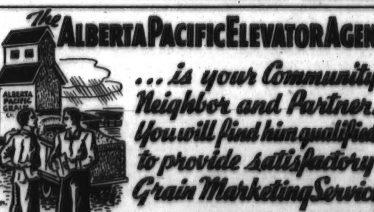
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